

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please delete paragraph [01].

Please replace paragraph [60] with the following amended paragraph:

[60] If, in step 505, it is determined that a gesture was not received ~~in step 504~~, the application processes the strokes ~~505~~506. If, in step 505, it is determined that a gesture was received ~~in step 504~~, the application processes the gesture in step ~~506~~507.

Please replace paragraph [62] with the following amended paragraph:

[62] Step 803 determines whether a stroke or ~~strokes~~strokes is a gesture. This may include the matching of step 7 above. If yes, the system determines the words or strokes in the action area 805 and sends the gesture ID and Objects in the action area to the system or application in step 806.

Please replace paragraph [75] with the following amended paragraph:

[75] Section 705 includes gesture identification. The gesture identification may be a Unicode character or may be a GUID as are known in the art. Section 706 shows the normalized shape of a gesture. For gesture 703, the normalized shape is an "x". For gesture 704, the normalized shape is a "[". Section ~~706~~707 includes the action area of the gesture. For gesture 703, the action area is the point located under the crossing of the two lines that make the gesture, for example. For gesture 704, the action area is the stroke, word or words to the right of the bracket.